

Alfred Parks & Recreation Agenda

January 7, 2024

Attendance:

Reflection of Holiday event (what you like, ways to improve)

Likes: I liked the teamwork, everyone stepping up and helping out

-Loved the inside/outside decorations , great new location, hot cocoa stand, the tree looked awesome, and the parade ran smoothly.

Aria's thoughts on what to Improve: Giving members more defined roles (for ex: divide the holiday into jobs/assignments such as : purchasing inside decorations, refreshments, Santa , Choir, hiring lighting co to decorate the tree/trees →these jobs should be assigned/volunteered in Aug/Sept meeting . I think inside prep, after event cleanup, and hanging up no parking signs should be a team effort as this is a lot of work. The assignments does not mean you can't ask others to help, it just to avoid confusion of who is doing what. We would have a separate Christmas meeting to discuss coordinating the different parts, and to avoid last minute changes the night of which creates confusion. Also need to figure out a better way for Santa to complete the parade route and come back to light the tree in a timely way. (it was a minor issue for the last 2 years) Easier way to power the lights if in the same location next year.

Additional Comments/feedback from all members:

1.Treasurer : Purchases/Discuss 24/25 Budget

-Budget due in February

Old Business

1. Park Needs-

- Spot light needs to be put on the flag (Deniel)
- Flag will come down for winter
- Consider removing tennis nets before snow

-Basketball nets are bad again and need to be addressed

- can be taken care of in Spring time
- consider something other than nylon

2. Basketball: Maggie, Jessica, Becca

-coaches' meeting in lieu of committee meeting

4. Movie in the Park - Luana & Emily

Date/Time: canceled due to weather, reschedule for a winter event at townhall (maybe during February break)

Movie: Mario

Raffle: Switch, Smitty tickets

- Call it Parents Night out , consider adding a donation

5. Big Park repairs

- Tennis courts repairs (Top Coat quote was approx \$8640 to use an acrylic seal and resurfacing, white lines not included. Need to have a meeting with the selectman to discuss

- Looking into grants from USTA

- Aria Gibbons, Emily Delldonna will plan on meeting with selectman sometime in January (after the holidays)

- parking drainage (Becca reached out to John Lord and he will definitely get to it before next winter) Parking drainage will come from road budget

6. Sponsorship: Letter completed. Focus on small amounts needed for events/basketball, no roll over to the next budget. Becca will take the lead in communicating to local businesses, and create a Master list of businesses contacted with donations on excel. New Email address created as the mainstream of communicating to business

New business

- 1. Winter event**
(collaborate with 3 Rivers Land Trust at Globe hill?)
- 2. Spring events/Summer event/ Alfred festival**

Next Meeting on February 4, 2024